

Longford Hill

Christmas 1851

My dear Mr Gray,

I owe you
many thanks for the remittance of
Southern slave in yours of 19th
inst and I am glad as a gen-
eral thing the plant pleased you.

The *Pachystima* I will get Mr.
Curtis to publish as he desired
to do so.

I should dearly love to
have a talk with you but
I must tell you that I fear
"Pottery" must go to the wall so
far as I am concerned - a
good while. I tell you the
truth I expect to be married
some time next year and in
the mean time I have two
houses to build which I must